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**Submission Accompanying Request for Continued Examination**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated October 20, 2005, please reconsider this application in view of the following.